



**U.S. Army Corps
Of Engineers**
Norfolk District

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MEMORANDUM FOR: U.S. COAST GUARD CAPTAIN OF THE PORT, THE VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCE COMMISSION, LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES AND CONCERNED PARTIES.

SUBJECT: Designation of a Temporary Restricted Area in Back Bay, a navigable water of the United States, adjacent to lands within the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge property boundary located in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

This regulation, promulgated by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Norfolk District prohibits certain activities from being conducted within the Restricted Area as defined below.

Pursuant to the authority granted in 33 C.F.R. 209.200, 334.3(c), and 33 U.S.C. 1, the Norfolk District has established a Restricted Area in waters of the United States adjacent to the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Virginia Beach, Virginia as follows:

Virginia Beach, Virginia, Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Restricted Area.

(a) Area: The waters extending 150 yards from Ordinary High Water along the entire shore line of the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge located within the Proclamation Boundary established in 1939.

(b) Regulations: No vessel of any type shall operate at a speed that causes a wake while they are within 150 yards of the shore line of the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge as defined above.

(c) Exceptions: (1) There are no speed restrictions for vessels operating within the Great Narrows Channel while transiting to or from Shipp's Bay and Redhead Bay. (2) No vessel or persons may enter the interior waters located within Ragged Island until further notice.

(d) Enforcement: The regulation in this section, established by the United States Army Corps of Engineers may be enforced by any Federal Agency, State, Local or County Law Enforcement agency, or Private Security Firms in the employment of the Corps of Engineers or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service so long as the entity undertaking enforcement action has the legal authority to do so under the appropriate Federal, State, or Local laws.

(e) Effective Date: This order is effective immediately.

(f) Duration: This order shall remain in effect until December 31, 2007 unless changes or formal regulations are developed.

(g) Contact Information: For the latest information regarding the Restricted Area or for permission to enter the area contact Mr. Rick Henderson Corps of Engineers Regulatory Branch

at (757) 201-7653 or check the web site at

<http://www.nao.usace.army.mil/Regulatory/PN/PN.html>.

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